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A
Very
Happy
New Year
to
Everyone

School Concert

STRATHMORE SCHOOL PRESENTS EXCELLENT PROGRAMME

The many hours of preparation that preceded the production climaxed in the very excellently rendered concert given by the pupils of the Strathmore School was evident to all, as they watched closely the varied and interesting programme, presented in the Memorial Hall, Friday evening.

The Operetta, Santa's Vacation provided the lion's share of the concert, as to training, infinite detail, and variety.

As a prelude to the operetta seven boys pupils gave, in Choral speech the familiar poem, The Night Before Christmas, thus preparing the appropriate atmosphere for the coming of Santa.

Johnnie Melissen made a Mr. Santa, that could not well be improved on. John W. de Mrs. Santa. Clara had a heavy roll which she carried through without once hesitating to recall her. She was at all times equal to the heavy demand necessitated by her part.

Dorothy Oldham as Mother Goose and Richard West as the Schlemmer, carried through their parts truly.

The entire operetta comprised over 30 pupils who were grouped as Elves, Bell Fairies, Christmas Trees, Nocturnes and Airmen.

When one realizes that in each group there were some ten or eleven children, to whom suitable costumes had to be devised or made, some idea of the tremendous amount of work the committee alone necessitated, is gathered. Added to this the perfectly familiar manner in which each pupil took his or her part, further idea of the painstaking care, and nervous strain on the part of those in charge is realized.

Those responsible were Miss Gordon, Miss Jean McGregor and Miss May Smith.

Miss McGregor gave able direction in her sympathetic playing at the piano which supported the children throughout.

The Operetta was as a whole perfectly produced as such a heavy undertaking could be and if there were any minor flaws—they were not evident to the audience.

It was a very pretty tale which showed how sad it would be, were there no Santa Claus and it was a relief to even some of the grown-ups when they realized the children were not to be disappointed—and that Santa was really going to make his rounds as usual—and not take his vacation at that time.

The stage setting with its prettily illuminated Christmas tree—the glowing fire place, the curtained window, which made it possible to take the occasional peep outside—and the Mother Goose sleigh, all fitted into the picture making a complete whole.

We congratulate teachers and pupils alike on the operetta.

The Christmas Gimmie

This second item was a play with a very excellent object lesson, which were pleased to note did have in the end the desired effect on the atmosphere. Indifferent self-centred young people, Edna Hartell as Mrs. Blake, introduced a happier note into the atmosphere, and was the strong character in the piece. Unfortunately some of the other voices were too soft to be distinctly heard.

The maid and the widowed woman with the other less fortunate whom Mrs. Blake had singled out for her kindness carried through their separate parts true to form.

We confess our sense of courtesy was somewhat shocked when each guest on receiving the present given by the kind good-will at Mrs. Blake overlooked or forgot to say the deserved or merited "Thankyou." There may have been in the play, an ulterior motive for this, to point out the lack of training of the less fortunate, but if such, it does not apply and was misplaced. Of course at the end each recipient very freely expressed his or her gratitude. But at the moment we with others near by missed the voice of appreciation, which weakened the production.

High School Chorus—The third item was a very well balanced chorus of some 52 High School students. The voices of these young singers, blended well and their singing was at all times true in tone, a condition which did not exist when the audience at the request of the Principal joined in, in the final chorus of "There'll Always Be An England."

It was a unique feature in Strathmore School Concerts to have a chorus of this magnitude provide on a large and worthy a part of the programme, and we commend the idea, both for its interest for the audience—and its development of the voices of the singers. We felt it was also an endurance test as it was not an easy thing to do to stand so long, in a position of immobility, without giving evidence of wearying. Messrs Crowther and MacKenzie originated the idea.

This Chorus, we would like to see carry on throughout the year, and we believe they would make a good record at the Provincial Musical Festival. They were directed by Miss Violet Hyde, with Miss Diana Young at the piano. Their caps of red, white and blue gave the effect of the Union Jack.

Selections sung were—"Hark The Herald Angels Sing"—"Carry On!"—"Till The Lights of London Shine Again!"—"The Incessant!"—"We're Proud of Canada."

"There'll Always Be An England." A. D. Shrimpton filled the duties of chairman very acceptably.

During an intermission Messrs Crowther and MacKenzie were the recipients of gifts from their High School pupils and Mr. Jack Ordlin from his pupils.

During Principal Crowther's remarks to the audience in which he thanked all for their co-operation and attendance—he stated that they—the teachers are not at all sure of the benefit of these School Concerts, whether the time taken from regular School work is of more or less value to the pupil, and suggested that through the year a questionnaire might be sent out to the parents asking their opinion.

Right here—before being asked—we give our opinion as all in favor of the concert.

We feel that the police, general understanding, glimpses of larger fields and general esprit de corps—will make for an all round social development that will stand the child in good stead in the larger fields of life.

The Hall was very artistically decorated with Christmas bells and rosin, creating a very festive appearance.

WHEATLAND S. D. No. 40

At the regular monthly meeting of the Divisional Board of Trustees of the Wheatland School Division No. 40 held on Wednesday, December 13th, Mr. L. O. Wheeler and Mr. P. A. Campbell were appointed as delegates to attend the annual convention of the Alberta School Trustees Association, to be held at the Macdonald Hotel in Edmonton on January 29th, 30th and 31st, 1941.

Candidates standing for election to the Divisional Board of Trustees to represent Subdivision No. 1 are Mr. L. O. Wheeler of Nanaima; and Mr. E. M. Stoodley of Nightingale and Mr. W. A. Laycraft of Strathmore. The election will take place on Tuesday, January 14th, 1941.

Canadian Red Cross Society ALBERTA DIVISION

Christmas dinners and parcels will be provided for Canadian troops in hospital in Britain by the Canadian Red Cross Society's overseas representatives, Dr. Fred W. Routley, National Commissioner, announced recently. Reports received from England indicate that everything will be done to assure the men of a happy Christmas. Voluntary Red Cross "Hospital Visitors" are looking after the decoration of the wards for the occasion.

All Canadian hospitals in England will receive the attention of the Canadian Red Cross. The last report received at Toronto headquarters showed that the 600 bed Canadian Red Cross Hospital in England (No. 5 Canadian General) was almost full and that there were almost 500 patients at No. 15 Canadian General.

All these men, as well as Canadians who are patients in other military hospitals, are visited regularly by Canadian Red Cross Hospital Visitors. During the past few months, these visitors have initiated handicraft work among the men in the hospitals, and it is reported that the work has become exceedingly popular with the men and is helping them feel more contented. Many of them have made such things as rugs, tapestry and baskets which they are sending to their relatives in Canada as Christmas presents.



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WE WISH YOU A HAPPY NEW YEAR
PHONE No. 1— John Spirros, Manager

Spence: "Forgot! Suppose I forgot to pay you. What would you say?"
Bisacre: "I should come and tell you immediately, not wait a month before I kicked up a fuss."

A clergyman was annoyed by people talking and giggling in the service. He paused, looked at the disturbers, and said: "Some years since, as I was preaching, a young man who sat before me was constantly laughing, talking and

making uncouth grimaces. I paused, and administered a severe rebuke. After the close of the service a gentleman said to me: "Sir, you made a great mistake; that young man is an idiot."
"Since then," went on the minister, "I have always been afraid to reprove those who misbehave in chapel lest I should repeat the mistake and reprove another idiot."
During the rest of the service there was good order.



This is PA O'HOLEY
The code prayer: Dear Santa Claus, Please fill my stockings as well as God filled Dorothy Lamour's.

Spence: "Why hasn't this job been done nearly a month since I told you about it?"
Bisacre: "I forgot it."

Under The Street Lamp

by P. E. (Pat) O'Holey

Miss Gordon was giving a health talk to her class, and warned them never to kiss animals or birds. "Can you give me an instance of the dangers of this, Stanley?" she asked.

"Yes, Miss Gordon, my aunt Alice used to kiss her dog," replied Stanley Bessie.

"And what happened?" asked Miss Gordon.

"It died."

Helen Willson: "Did he threaten you when he kissed you?"

Betty Wilson: "Yes, he said: 'If you scream, I'll never kiss you again.'"

TWO MORE BATTALIONS OF CANADIAN TROOPS ARRIVE IN ENGLAND



Composed of men from Central Ontario are Quebec also composed by Brigadier L. F. Page, the men in the Canadian Army have arrived in England. The new arrivals are shown, TOP RIGHT.

According to their new quarters led by a pipe and drum band, LOWER RIGHT, the fine physique of the newly-arrived troops in this officer. LEFT, who stands over six feet three inches tall.

WISHING OUR FRIENDS AND CUSTOMERS

A
Merry Christmas
and a
Happy New Year

Thos. E. Wright
Mer's Better Wear

BOXING DAY, TOWN HOLIDAY!

Thursday will be observed as a public holiday in Strathmore. The banks and all stores will remain closed.

Mrs. Dora Gray arrived from Vancouver Friday last and spent the week end with her sister Mrs. Grellin, going on Tuesday to Olds to enjoy Christmas with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Dell.

"He must be pretty high—he came home and gave me five dollars," and told me to spend it fast as I could!"

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DON'T YOU CRY,
YOU MAY BE KNEADED,
BY-AND-BY.

There was no warning. All of a sudden
I found I couldn't straighten up. I
can't lift my head. Hurry for the doc
tor.

Smith was one of those nervous per-
sons whose imagination, at times, af-
fects them with all kinds of ills which
never materialize. One afternoon, long
before he usual hour for returning
from business, he staggered into the
house. He was bent forward. He tot-
tered to a chair and, still curled into a
half moon shape, dropped into it.

Bob Sharpe says that when you stop
to figure out that all life fits, you've got
to admit that nature is a grand thing.

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**THE SPIRIT
OF CHRISTMAS**

Let us do all we can to cultivate the
spirit of Christmas in our free land,
for in some countries such a thing is
illegal and can be done only furtively.
Hang up the wreaths and ribbans,
trim the fireplace with holly, sing the
English carols, or that fine old hymn
of Luther's, or that lovely reverent
song that Father Josef Mohr of Salz-
burg wrote—

"Silent Night: Holy Night,
All is calm, all is bright—"

We in Canada do not first have to
pull down the blinds and make sure
that no informant lives in the shadows.

The spirit of Christmas takes on
dictation from the almighty state.
The spirit of Christmas is religious.
In some countries a mighty effort
is being made to make religion subser-
vient to the government.

And yet the spirit of Christmas does
not die. Not in any land. Not among
the adherents of any creed. Not for-
ever in the human heart. For Christ-
mas is many things and has many
names. For those of the Christian faith
it marks the birth of one who said
"Love your enemies and do good to
them who despitefully use you." It has
do reverential names in every lan-
guage. Every Occidental nation has its
holy legends, its Santa Claus, its
beautiful old traditions.

The spirit of Christmas is
around the narrower boundaries of re-
ligion and race fall away. We look
deeply into the memory of the whole
human race. What poetry it has made
of winter cold and darkness, of snow
with the shadows of bare trees traced
across it, of stars never more beauti-
ful than in December, of the blessings

of fire and food and human affections,
of the coating back of the sun after
its southward journey:
"Glory to God in the highest!" sang
the angels, according to St. Luke.
"And on earth peace, good-will among
men!" The emotion is ancient and pro-
found. It is, in every land, in every
language, in every creed, the Spirit
of Christmas.

**COMMENTS ON THE
WHEAT SITUATION**

Wheat prices are more or less frozen
by two immense but opposite forces.
One is the large visible unadul-
terated surplus of wheat in the United States
and Canada and with a certain amount
in other countries, the other
force is the great need for that wheat,
but which cannot become a reality be-
cause of the land and sea blockade of
China by Japan, and because of the sea
blockade of the countries under
Hitler's domination by the British
Navy.

Every decent person's heart impels
him to press for the surplus wheat to
go to the relief of the European peo-
ple who will suffer if they do not re-
ceive more food. On the other hand
every sensible person's cool head tells
him that if the sufferings of European
people should be relieved by this
means, it would result inevitably and
immediately in additional bombing of
Great Britain — for the extra wheat
would enable more workers to make
more planes and more bombs for Mr.
Hitler — and the additional bombing
would cause not only suffering, but
immediate death to British men, wo-
men and children. And so the struggle
between the heart and the head must
continue until the great military drama
unrolls itself to a conclusion.

WINS TROPHY AGAIN

Jacqueline Cochran, noted Ameri-
can aviator, is shown with the
coveted Harmon trophy awarded
her in New York as the outstand-
ing woman flier in the world. This
is the third time she has won the
trophy, awarded by the Interna-
tional League of Aviators.

Weddings

GOODRICH — MEIDINGER

John Edward Goodrich of Acme was
united in marriage to Agnes Meidinger
of Basanto, at the United Church par-
sonage, on Saturday, December 21st
by Stanley R. Hunt, D.A. B.D. Mr. and
Mrs. Goodrich will take residence at
Kingston, Ontario, after the holidays,
where Mr. Goodrich is in training with
His Majesty's Forces.

OUR WISH TO ONE AND ALL IS FOR A VERY
HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR, AND
LET US ONE AND ALL PRAY THAT THE UN-
REST THAT NOW INFESTS THE WORLD WILL
RAPIDLY FADE AWAY AND THAT EARLY
IN THE NEW YEAR THE PRINCE OF PEACE
WILL AGAIN REIGN THROUGHOUT THE
WORLD.

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CANADIAN GUNNERS IN ACTION IN ENGLAND

Canadian troops now in England are training in, first to be taken of Canadian artillerymen in action
tensively so as to be ready for what ever may come in England. It was taken at the Canadian base in
in the way of fighting. This photograph is one of the south of England.

BOUND FOR ATLANTIC PATROL DUTY

H.M.C.S. Ottawa, one of the Royal Canadian Navy's growing fleet of destroyers, is shown as she
seems out into the Atlantic on patrol duty.

See where at the Legion Christmas

Tree party in Calgary last week, Santa
Claus got stuck in the chimney.

Did always seem to feel that Santa
gets stuck every year.

HER DADDY IS GOING TO WAR

While the train rolled on through the night,
carrying her daddy to war, this little girl struggles
in his arms, perhaps dreaming of the day when he'd
return. Bound for an eastern seaport, this French
Canadian soldier brought along his small family to
wave him farewell as his ship sailed out into the
Atlantic.

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FRIDAY AND SATURDAY

JANUARY 3rd and 4th

MY SON, MY SON

Brian Aherne, Madeline Carroll,
Lewis Hayward, Lorraine Day

NEWS & COMEDY



Church Notes

ST. MICHAEL'S & ALL ANGELS'

CHURCH - STRATHMORE

Incumbent—

Rev. Leslie T. H. Pearson, B.A., L.Th.

Dec. 29—Sunday after Christmas

8:30 a.m.—Holy Communion.

No Sunday School.

2 p.m.—Choir Practice.

7:30 p.m.—Evensong.

Christmas Service, Special Music.

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Local News Items

Born to Mr and Mrs. Leslie Hunt
(nee Maud Marston) Friday, Dec. 20,
a baby boy, Leslie Craig, Strathmore.
Friends will extend hearty congratula-
tions.

Mr. Van Tighe and family will go
to Calgary to enjoy Christmas with
Dr. and Mrs. Kelly.

Next issue of The Standard Jan-
uary 3rd, 1941.

Strathmore Schools will not reopen
until Monday, January 6th, 1941.

Mr. Donald Gaitheiser is spending a
few days with his brother in Strath-
more.

The Boy Scouts are planning a skat-
ing party during the holidays to take
place Monday, December 30.

Mrs. Piny Gray stopped off in Strath-
more for a couple of days in her way
from Vancouver. She will spend the
Christmas season in Oils.

Rev. and Mrs. Williams arrived Tues-
day to spend Christmas with their
daughter Mrs. Muriel MacLeod.

Miss Betty MacMurray arrived Mon-
day for the holidays on Friday.

S. H. Crowther and Bonnie left Mon-
day night for Edmonton, where they
will spend Christmas.

Mrs. A. M. Moore left for Stony
Plain on Monday evening. She is
spending the holidays with her daugh-
ter, Mrs. Cumming.

MUNROE MACLEOD
SPEAKS AT LIONS

Speaking at the regular meeting of
the Lions Club last Thursday, Mr.
Munroe MacLeod, superintendent of
the Wheatland School Division, chose
as his topic, The Field of Education.

Briefly, he gave an outline of the
growth of education, and traced it all
the way from the early Greeks and Ro-
mans, down through the monks and
friars, and out to the present day.

Nearly everything that is on the
course today he said, is mainly an in-
heritance. In many cases, it is there
because it was there for our fathers
and they left it there, because their
fathers had had it before them. The
language and mathematical units have
been maintained on the course, he
said, in large measure in order to keep
the line bright students from com-
pleting High School or University.

The change in the educational system
to provide learning for all, which
came shortly after the war, worked
fine for a time, but then developed
a white collar idea that was harmful
in many ways. There is not enough
skilled tradesmen today for instance
to meet the demands of the govern-
ment.

The big problem is, Mr. MacLeod sug-
gested, should we, or should we not,
try to prepare the student for his fu-
ture career. In all the diversified fields
of today, in the school, an ideal edu-
cation according to his own opinion.

Mr. MacLeod outlined as one that in-
cluded primarily the object of being
healthy, both in the physical and
mental outlook. It should also give a
strong idea of citizenship. One of the
main functions of learning this, he
stated, was in the opportunity to
learn when to talk and when not to.
It included a strong interest in the
community, and a broad outlook. A
broad outlook from the national and
international point of view, one
not easily misled by propaganda.

ed. It so happened that the secretary
was in unusually good form and the
game ended at the twelfth hole.

The manager was rather annoyed at
being so heartily beaten, and he in-
quired as to why he was picked his
off the green. "Tell me, Mr. Wright,
what do you do besides golf?"

Christmas Services In The
Strathmore Churches

CHRISTMAS CANTATA
IN UNITED CHURCH
The Cantata—Gimes of The Holy
Night, rendered by the Choir of the
United Church Sunday evening, was
very delightful, and very well render-
ed. The choir comprised some sixteen
voices, which blended well. Their in-
terpretation of the various themes was
at all times very sympathetic.

Concentrations are due the leader
Mrs. Hunt, for the cooperation she has
been able to establish with the mem-
bers of the choir and the high caliber
of the music produced. Miss Georgia
Chapman was pianist.

ST. MICHAEL'S SERVICE
At St. Michael's Evensong, Rev.
Leslie Pearson delivered a very telling
and impressive sermon on the sub-
ject, "Achievement Through Adver-
sity." While few accept willingly the
injection of the rod, yet most
persons admit that worthwhile char-
acters are made stronger by adversity.

Rev. Pearson developed his theme in
a very forceful and convincing man-
ner.

CHRISTMAS EVE—MIDNIGHT
MASS AT SACRED HEART
Midnight Mass will be celebrated by
Father Leonard at Sacred Heart
Church Tuesday at 12 o'clock.

At St. Michael's Church, celebra-
tion of the Holy Communion com-
mencing at 11:30 Christmas Eve.

Christmas Morning in the United
Church Service will be held from
10:30 to 11 a.m.

Carl Jones will come up from Mac-
leod for the New Year's holiday at
home.

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so as not to conflict with nearby
schools. Some enthusiasts made the
rounds of Baintree, Valley Gardens,
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Nightingale Concert was held on
Wednesday evening. The Hall was
nearly decorated for the occasion and
a large audience had gathered by 8
o'clock. Several plays were staged.

Two or three boys who took female
parts are to be commended. Not only
did they help out by making up for a
shortage of girls, but they did it most
creditably. Miss Eekland and pup-
pets are to be congratulated on the suc-
cess of the programme which showed ef-
ficiency of painstaking preparations. The
accompaniments were played by Mr.
Freddie Hilton.

Mr. Leonard was the announcer and also led
the games which followed the distribu-
tion of presents by Santa Claus. After
supper dancing wound up a very suc-
cessful evening.

Valley Gardens School Concert was
held on Thursday evening. The seat-
ing accommodation has been increased
since the alterations to the school
hall there were not seats enough for
all the visitors.

Much amusement was caused by a
joke concerning a car, with
small boys representing tires. To see
a small boy with his head down, and
his posterior elevated, suddenly col-
lapse at the sound of an ominous bang
offstage, sent the onlookers into
peals of laughter, when the exasperat-
ed driver picked up the limp "tire"
and exchanged it for a "spare". The
laughter broke out again and was re-
newed each time a "flat" was pumped
up. When all four "tires" went flat at
the same time the curtain mercifully
dropped.

The plays and pantomimes were in
terpreted with songs and recitations.
Musical selections were played by
Miss Mary and Audrey Kinney. Tom
Stoodley introduced "Spark Plug" the
clown. He, Sparkplug performed
quite capably, picking out colors,
counting and dancing, but when asked
his name became obstreperous, finally
lying down and refusing to budge.

During the programme Johnny
Carlson repeatedly called up Santa
Claus on the phone, who finally ar-
rived in time to distribute the presents.
All the children in the district were
remembered and candy nuts and or-
anges were passed around to the as-
sembled guests. Mr. Stoodley proposed
a vote of thanks to Mr. Trimble which
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